Sanction for three (3) officers of the Transport (Ports) Department for participation in the International Maritime Trade Fair "SMM Hamburg-2026" at Hamburg, Germany from 31st August 2026 to 6th September 2026 (including travel time).

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
Transport Department
Government Resolution No. MIS 0726/C.R. 50/Port-2 Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya,
Mumbai 400 032

Date: **25th August, 2026**

Reference:

1. Invitation received from Hamburg Representation Mumbai, Indo-German Chamber of Commerce vide email dated 23.04.2026.
2. D.O. letter no. IPA/SMM Hamburg/Invitation/2026, dtd. 17.06.2026 received from Indian Ports Association addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board, Mumbai.
3. Circular of the General Administration Department, Desk 11. Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai, dated 13.05.2026.
4. Proposal submitted by the Chief Executive Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board vide Letter dated 6th August 2026..

Government Resolution:

1. The Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB) received invitations vide references (1) and (2) above to participate in "SMM Hamburg-2026," scheduled to be held at Hamburg, Germany, from 1st September 2026 to 4th September 2026.

2. SMM Hamburg is recognized as the world's premier global maritime trade fair, attracting over 2,200 exhibitors and nearly 48,000 participants from more than 100 countries. It serves as an international platform to showcase maritime capabilities and foster strategic global partnerships.

3. The Indian Ports Association (IPA), under the aegis of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Government of India, is hosting the India National Pavilion at the event to highlight the nation's maritime strengths across shipping, shipbuilding, port infrastructure, and emerging maritime technologies.

4. The IPA requested the active participation of the Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB) at the event. Accordingly, the Chief Executive Officer, MMB, vide reference (4), submitted a proposal requesting administrative approval and sanction for the foreign tour of three (3) officers of the Transport (Ports) Department/MMB to Hamburg, Germany.

5. In view of the aforementioned background, the Government of Maharashtra hereby accords sanction for the official foreign tour of the following three (3) officers to Hamburg, Germany, for the period from **31st August 2026 to 6th September 2026** (including travel time) to participate in "SMM Hamburg-2026":

Name	Designation	Period
Pradeep P, IAS	Chief Executive Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board, Mumbai.	31st August 2026 to 06.09.2026 (including travelling time)
Capt. Praveen Khara	Chief Port Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board, Mumbai.	
Pradip M. Badhiye	Administrative Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board, Mumbai.	

6. All expenses for the foreign tour of the aforesaid three officers such as air travel, visa, stay arrangements etc., will be borne by the Maharashtra Maritime Board, Mumbai.

7. The period of absence of the aforementioned officers from their headquarters, starting from their departure from India until their return and resumption of duty, shall be treated as **"Duty Period"** for all operational purposes under the applicable service rules..

8. The Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, and Ministry of Home Affairs are hereby requested to accord the necessary **Political Clearance** and **Foreign Exchange Release Clearance** for the official visit of the delegation.

9. This Government Resolution is published on official website of the Government of Maharashtra **www.maharashtra.gov.in** and its reference no. 202608251651176939. This Government Resolution is being issued with digital signature.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

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Deputy Secretary to Government of Maharashtra

To,

1) The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, North Block, New Delhi, 110 001.
2) The Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, 178, South Block, New Delhi, 110 001.
3) The Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs, Government of India, North Block, New Delhi, 110 001.
4) The Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
5) The Additional Chief Secretary, Transport and Ports, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032.
6) The Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032.
7) The Additional Chief Secretary (Services), General Administrative Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032.
8) Private Secretary to Hon'ble Minister (Ports and Fisheries) Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032.
9) The Chief Executive Officer, Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB), Mumbai.
10) The Resident Commissioner & Principal Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, Maharashtra Sadan, Copernicus Marg, New Delhi 110 001.

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